

## **Environmental Findings**

**Traffic Noise** 



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## Introduction to Noise

- General Characteristics
  - Sound Transmission
  - Descriptors Used for Traffic Noise
- Peak-Hour Leq
  - Peak Noise Hour
- WSDOT Noise Regulations
  - 66 dBA for Residential Impacts
  - -71 dBA for Commercial Land Use



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## Noise Impact Analysis

- Existing Conditions
  - Noise Monitoring/Modeling Program
- Future Noise Level Modeling
  - Group Receivers
  - Traffic and Speed Information
  - Noise Reducing Design Options
- Identify Impacts
  - SR-520 and Other Modified Roads Only



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## Noise Abatement Measures

- Noise Reducing Design Options
  - Traffic Management Measures
  - Design Measures
    - Depressed Roads and Lidded Roads
- Noise Mitigation Measures
  - Noise Walls and Earth Berms
  - Other Noise Mitigation Methods